

- In re Appln. of ONODERA et al.
Application No. Unassigned

ABSTRACT AMENDMENTS

Replace the Abstract with:

A moving handrail superior in durability ~~is provided. The moving handrail for a passenger~~ includes a linear belt of which two end portions are connected, forming a loop. This linear belt ~~is composed of~~ includes a single-layer or multilayer of thermoplastic elastomer ~~of~~ having a C-shape in cross section; metallic and web-shaped metal stretch inhibitors disposed along a longitudinal direction of the thermoplastic elastomer, and base members coupled inside of the thermoplastic elastomer. The thermoplastic elastomer, metal stretch inhibitor, and base member are integrally molded. In the connection portion, a splice junction between the metal stretch inhibitors and a joint where the base members are connected together at both end portions with ~~the use of~~ an auxiliary backing ~~are disposed so as does not to overlap in a direction of thickness of the moving handrail. Further, the metal stretch inhibitors having been that are spliced are enclosed with a thermoplastic elastomer.~~